

**UNSAFE HEARING BOARD
TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2002
5:00 P.M.**

The Unsafe Hearing Board met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., with Chris Fields, Toby Gilliam, and Mike Pavey answering roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Julie Newhouse, Jan Voiles, *Rushville Republican*, and Scott McCarty, WKWH.

MINUTES * * *

Minutes of the meeting of February 5, 2002 were presented for approval. Fields made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORTS * * *

None.

CITIZEN'S CONCERNS * * *

635 W 10th Street — Mark Mathews voiced a concern about the property located at 635 W 10th Street. He stated no one was living there and that it was in disarray. He was told that the property was in an estate. Julie Newhouse said she had checked at the Courthouse and it was not in an estate. However, she would check once again to see if that had changed. Shelton will inspect the property and notify the owners to appear at the next meeting.

Unfinished Business * * *

833 W. 2nd Street, Martha Yorn Property — Newhouse said that there is a mortgage on the property with Union Planners for approximately \$9,000.00, which would take precedent. Newhouse stated that even though the City probably would not get the land, she did believe we would re-coup our expenses. Gilliam made a motion for Newhouse to open the estate on behalf of the City. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS * * *

603 W. Water Street, Linda Ketchum — Shelton said that he had received complaints that animals were living under the house. He recommended that the

house and garage be torn down. Linda Ketchum, purchased the property at tax sale said that she intends to tear down the garage this Summer and also intends to repair the house. Ketchum also said there is a cat getting under the house, but no skunks or other animals. She said there is a hole she believes it is getting in and she will cover the hole so animals cannot get under the house. Ketchum asked for a two-month period to get the garage torn down. Gilliam made a motion to allow Ketchum until April 30 to get the garage torn down, and also to get the hole sealed up right away. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

722 N Sexton Street – Shelton said that the property has been cleaned up.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Pavey made a motion to adjourn. Fields seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

CHRISTOPHER S. FIELDS, MEMBER

TOBY GILLIAM, MEMBER

ATTEST:

ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER